(ग) निर्वाचन क्षेत्रों को परिसीमित कराने के लिए, पारिणामिक कदम उठाने का प्रश्न, जिसमें परिसीमन आयोग का गठन भी है, संविधान (अस्सीवां संशोधन) विधेयक, 1996 जो लोक सभा के समक्ष लंबित है, और जो नए परीसीमन के लिए उपबंध करने के लिए है, अधिनियम, बन जाता है, उसके पश्चात ही उठेगा।

Statement of Chief Justice of India on Jain Hawala case

1530. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:
SHRI JALALUDIN ANSARI:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the statement made by the Chief Justice of India that "the judges of the Supreme Court were under pressure to withdraw from the Bench hearing the Jain Hawala case"; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI RAMAKANT D. KHALAP): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government attach utmost importance to the independence of Judiciary and would not like it to be compromised at any cost. No one from the Government was authorised to speak to the judges in the matter.

Development of Tourism in Punjab

1531. SHRI MOHINDER SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken by the Government for the development of tourism in the country particularly in the State of Punjab;

(b) the details of various tourist spots to be developed in different parts of the country, name-wise/State-wise; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF TOURISM: (SHRI SRIKANTA KUMAR JENA): (a) to (c) Steps being taken by the Government for the development of tourism include improvement of infrastructural facilities, human resource development and publicity and promotion. It is achieved by providing financial assistance to State Governments, encouraging private investment, undertaking promotional activities and creating training infrastructure. However, the development of tourism in any particular State is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments concerned.

For the development of tourism in Punjab, the Department of tourism during the last three years has sanctioned 26 projects amounting to Rs. 305.87 lakhs.

Vacation of suites in Samrat Hotel by ITDC Chief

1532. SHRI BANGARU LAXMAN:
DR. Y. LAKSHMI PRASAD:

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have asked ITDC Chief to vacate 6 hotel suites occupied by him in Samrat Hotel;

(b) if so, the reasons for lossing Rs. 60,000 as rent per day by not utilising the suites for commercial purpose; and

(c) action proposed against the guilty officials;

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF TOURISM: (SHRI SRIKANTA KUMAR JENA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The rooms occupied by C&MD, ITDC in Samrat Hotel cannot be utilised for commercial purposes because of security reasons and, therefore^ the reported loss of Rs. 60,000 per day is only national.